

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Carroll, Maryland

#### Number of farms

1,058 farms in 2002, 1,159 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

#### Land in farms

147,252 acres in 2002, 167,871 acres in 1997, down 12 percent.

#### Average size of farm

139 acres in 2002, 145 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$68,956,000 in 2002, \$71,238,000 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$31,142,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$37,813,000 of the total value in 2002.

#### Market Value of Production, average per farm

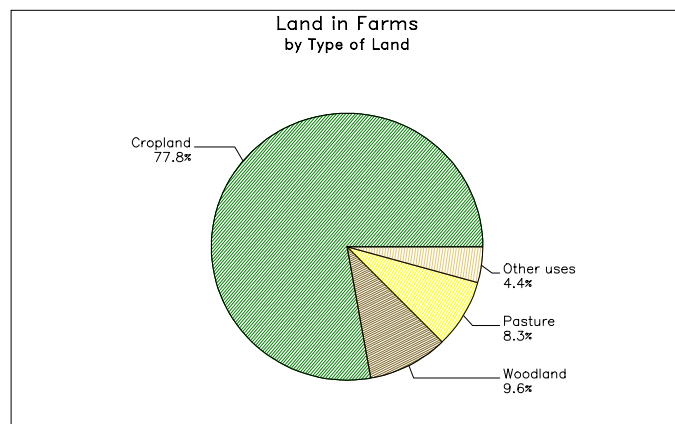
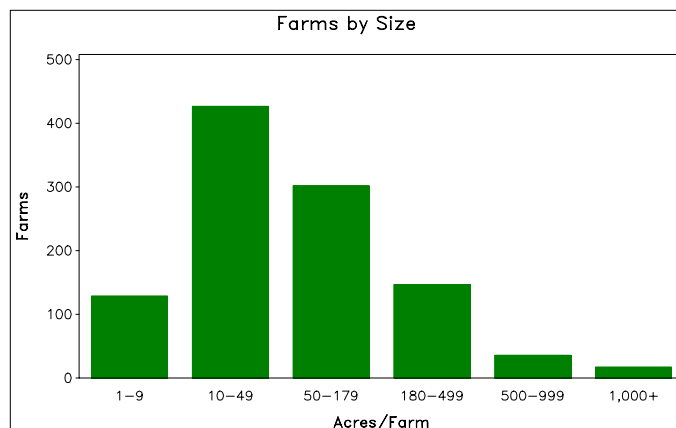
\$65,175 in 2002, \$61,465 in 1997, up 6 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$2,715,000 in 2002, \$923,000 in 1997, up 194 percent.

#### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,492 in 2002, \$4,138 in 1997, up 129 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 23 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	68,956	7	23	821	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	31,142	5	23	838	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	37,813	9	23	778	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	10,688	7	23	975	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	7	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,869	7	23	367	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	1,280	4	23	308	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	12,447	7	23	215	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	385	1	21	149	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,473	2	23	511	3,046
Poultry and eggs	7,902	11	23	515	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,310	5	23	1,467	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	21,631	3	20	208	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1,483	1	22	792	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	138	2	23	619	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,273	5	23	89	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	16	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	77	3	23	972	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	3	23	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	30,668	3	23	1,042	3,059
Hogs and pigs	5,014	2	22	893	2,926
Sheep and lambs	3,759	1	23	289	2,867
Horses and ponies	2,409	4	23	341	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	30,710	5	23	651	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,572	3	23	810	3,059
Soybeans	20,426	9	23	834	2,076
Corn for silage	10,616	3	23	142	2,307
All Wheat for grain	7,583	7	23	746	2,517

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	322	Farming	592
\$1,000 to \$2,499	149	Other	466
\$2,500 to \$4,999	93		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	101	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	92	Male	880
\$20,000 to \$24,999	34	Female	178
\$25,000 to \$39,999	46		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	84		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	50	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	41	White	1,595
\$500,000 or more	26	Black or African American	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	67,914	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
Average per farm (\$)	64,619	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,492	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	7,128	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	16

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.